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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.

Our Ref: 1748X/50709

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

**Berthold KEPPELER**

entitled: **FUEL CELL AND METHOD FOR OPERATING SAME**

Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 10 Claims (pages 1-13, plus specification cover sheet).
2. 1 Sheet of drawings showing a sole figure.
3. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**unexecuted - 1 page**)
4. X Information Disclosure Statement w/ 1 reference.
5. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document 100 63 655.1, filed in Germany on 20 December 2001.
6. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee						\$370/740	=	\$740.00	
Total Claims	<u>10</u>	-	20	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$9/18	=	\$
Independent Claims	<u>3</u>	-	3	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$42/84	=	\$
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented						\$140/280	=	\$	
Total Filing Fee								=	<u>\$740.00</u>

The filing fee is being deferred at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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